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SUBJ: BOGOTA PRESS REPORTS US "CRITICISM" OF COLOMBIAN PETROLEUM

POLICY

REF: BOGOTA 00090

- 1. AS RESULT UNFORTUNATE TIMING, THREE OF BOGOTA'S FOUR
  PRINCIPAL DAILIES GAVE FRONTPAGE COVERAGE JAN 5 TO SUPPOSED
  COMMERCE DEPT'S CRITICISM OF POSSIBLE COLOMBIAN SUSPENSION OF
  CRUDE OIL EXPORTS LATER THIS YEAR (REFTEL). APPARENTLY ARTICLE IN
  "COMMERCE TODAY" OR LATEST ECONOMIC TRENDS REPORT OR BOTH APPEARED IN
  WASHINGTON JAN 4, SAME DAY MINMINES AND PETROLEUM REPORTED HERE
  AS ANNOUNCING SUSPENSION POLICY. NEXT DAY UPI DISPATCH CARRIED
  UNDER HEADLINE "SUSPENSION OF COLOMBIAN PETROLEUM EXPORTS BADLY
  RECEIVED IN US" (EL TIEMPO) AND SUBHEADLINE "US CRITICIZES
  PETROLEUM MEASURES" (EL ESPECTADOR). LA REPUBLICA HEADLINED
  "US CRITICIZES ANNOUNCEMENT OF EXPORT SUSPENSION" OVER EFE
  DISPATCH.
- 2. UPI BEGAN, "COLOMBIA...WAS CRITICIZED TODAY IN AN OFFICIAL AMERICAN RELEASE FOR ITS DECISION TO TERMINATE EXPORTS OF CRUDE UNCLASSIFIED

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AND RESIDUAL FUEL OIL TO THE US". (ACTUALLY MINMINES DID NOT

MENTION FUEL OIL.) EFE BEGAN, "THE US DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE TODAY STRONGLY CRITICIZED THE INTENTIONS AND MEASURES GIVEN BY BOGOTA TO REDUCE ITS CRUDE OIL EXPORTS O THE US". REMAINDER OF STORIES APPEAR TO BE BASED DIRECTLY ON TRENDS REPORT SUBMITTED LAST NOV.

3. EMB PROPOSES NO REACTION TO STORIES, WHICH UNLIKELY TO GENERATE CONTINUING INTEREST HERE. MERELY THOUGHT WASHINGTON SHOULD BE AWARE OF THESE REPORTS IN LOCAL PRESS. WHITE

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